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The Continuing Care Division consists of the Long Term Care and Direct Care (Home Nursing Care and Community Physiotherapy) Programs. These programs integrate health care services for people of all ages who are acutely ill, handicapped or infirmed, especially seniors, into a single comprehensive range of services. The philosophy of the Continuing Care Division emphasizes the role of family and community by involving family, wherever possible, and by providing services to the extent that the individuals and their families are unable to cope within their own resources.

The Long Term Care Program is designed to assist adults with long term, health-related problems maintain an optimal level of independent functioning. Services may be provided in the home (homemaker services), the community (adult day care centres and group homes) or in a residential setting. The Continuing Care Division refers clients to appropriate agencies or programs and purchases services on behalf of individuals eligible for long term care program benefits.

Within the Direct Care services, the Home Nursing Care Program provides nursing care for patients who are discharged early from hospital, who require home nursing care services as an alternative to admission to an acute care hospital, who are terminally ill or who require in-home nursing services for chronic illnesses and disabilities. The Community Physiotherapy Program provides direct treatment, consultative and preventive services to clients in their homes, arranges provision of required equipment to cope with physical disabilities and trains family members in assisting clients. Direct Care services are provided to people of all ages.

The nature of the division necessitated the establishment of a regionalized system of management and a community-based service delivery system. The functions retained at the Ministry of Health Victoria office are overall policy direction and general management.

Within this regional system, local programs are delivered at the community level through 16 provincial health units, four municipal health departments and one regional district. Field administrators based in each of the 21 local offices are responsible for co-ordinating and administering programs in the community. This responsibility includes identifying service needs, developing societies or volunteer groups, providing and co-ordinating services and resources within the community, and liaising with some 400 residential and 200 home support agencies across British Columbia.

Homemaker services were provided to 5 per cent more clients in 1988/89 through the Long Term Care Program than in the previous year.

Six per cent more clients received Community Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy services, while 2 per cent more clients received Home Nursing Care services through Direct Care Programs.

The division continued to address wage disparity issues by allocating additional funding to strengthen the home support industry.

Three program developments took place during the year. A global funding system for long term care facilities was introduced allowing more flexibility and responsibility in the residential care sector. Simultaneously, quality of care standards for residential care facilities were developed and are being tested across the Province for future implementation. The recently developed Continuing Care Act will formalize the division's role and authority with respect to service providers and clients.

The Continuing Care Division participated in two new initiatives in the 1988/89 fiscal year. First, it provided funding of approximately \$1.5 million for the operation of four Quick Response Teams. These identify and prevent unnecessary hospital admission and facilitate earlier discharge of clients who no longer require acute care treatment. Secondly, the division worked closely with the Victoria Health Project which examines community-based innovations to improve the health of the frail elderly within the Capital Regional District.

These initiatives will provide the Continuing Care Division with new information on integration, coordination and delivery of effective, efficient and appropriate services.

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Table 1

**Number of Agencies^① and Clients^②
Receiving Residential Care
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Types of Residential Services	Number of Residences^①	Number of Clients^②
Personal and Intermediate Care Facilities	245	19,634
Acute Hospitals	8	123
Licensed Private Hospitals	30	2,771
Family Care Homes	107	226
Total	390	22,325^③

① These are agencies receiving payment. Where an agency has changed ownership, it is counted once for each owner receiving payment during the year.

② Each client is counted once for each type of residence from which care was received. Numbers are not additive as some clients may have received service from more than one residence.

③ Unique clients.

Table 2

**Number of Agencies^① and Clients^②
Receiving Community Services
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Types of Community Services	Number of Agencies^①	Number of Clients^②
<i>Long Term Care</i>		
Homemakers	130	49,088
Adult Day Care	47	4,408
Group Homes	18	230
<i>Long Term Care Total</i>	195	51,768^③
<i>Direct Care</i>		
Home Nursing Care	86	35,133
Community Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy	51	8,030
<i>Direct Care Total</i>	137	40,233^③
Total (LTC & Direct Care)	332	76,924^③

① These are agencies receiving payment. In some cases an agency may operate more than one centre where service is provided. Home Nursing Care and Community Physiotherapy Programs are directly operated by the Ministry of Health. The "Number of Agencies" here refers to the number of offices and suboffices in British Columbia reporting provision of service during the year.

② Each client is counted once for each type of community service from which care was received. Numbers are not additive as some clients may have received more than one type of service.

③ Unique clients.

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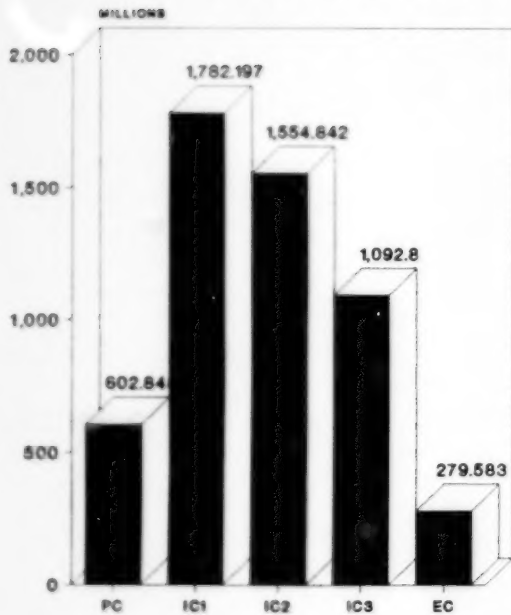
**Paid Client Days Based on Care Levels
For Residential Care
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Types of Residential Services	Level of Care					
	PC	IC1	IC2	IC3	EC	TOTAL
Personal and Intermediate Care Facilities	602,845 11.35%	1,782,197 33.55%	1,554,842 29.27%	1,092,800 20.57%	279,583 5.26%	5,312,267 100%
Acute Hospitals	35 0.25%	3,379 23.82%	4,232 29.84%	4,700 33.14%	1,838 12.96%	14,184 100%
Licensed Private Hospitals	458 0.07%	19,204 2.85%	54,632 8.11%	273,953 40.67%	325,405 48.30%	673,652 100%
Family Care Homes	1,812 4.61%	5,467 13.92%	9,066 23.08%	18,632 47.44%	4,302 10.95%	39,279 100%
Totals	605,150 10.02%	1,810,247 29.97%	1,622,772 26.87%	1,390,085 23.02%	611,128 10.12%	6,039,382 100%

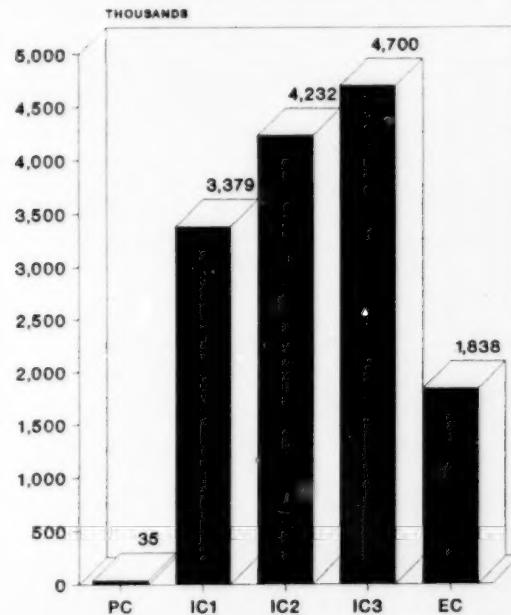
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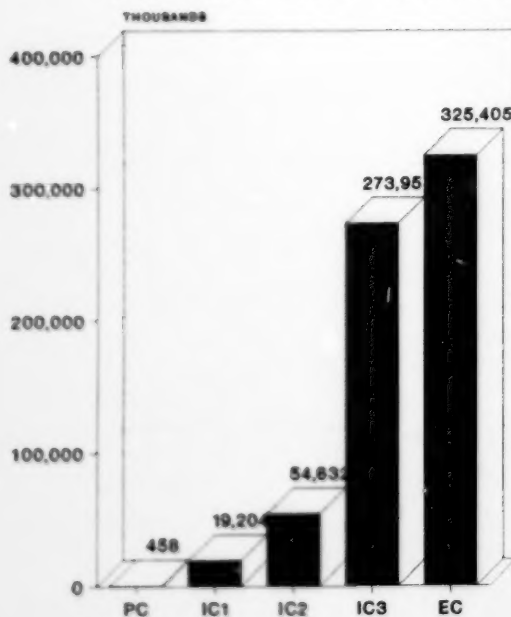
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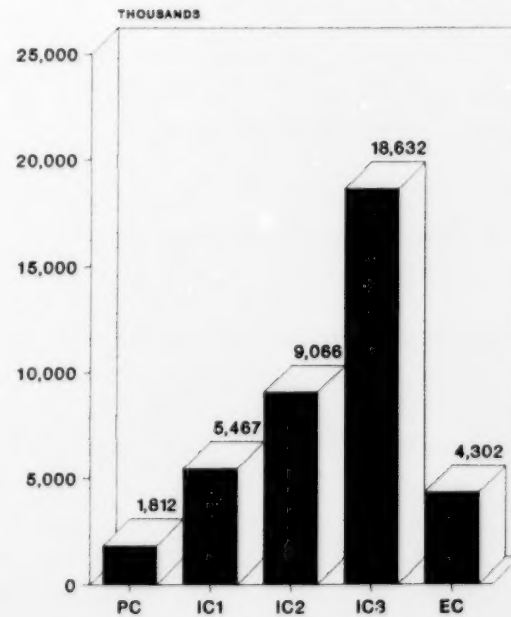


Table 4

**Paid Client Days or Hours Based on
Care Levels For Community Services
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

**Types of Long
Term Care
Community
Services**

Level of Care

	PC	IC1	IC2	IC3	EC	TOTAL
Homemakers ^①	1,504,569 28.17%	1,472,201 27.57%	967,506 18.12%	461,952 8.65%	934,147 17.49%	5,340,375 100%
Adult Day Care ^②	25,522 22.05%	45,966 39.71%	28,148 24.32%	9,727 8.40%	6,397 5.53%	115,760 100%
Group Homes ^②	11,214 15.37%	19,554 26.79%	9,917 13.59%	2,935 4.02%	29,359 40.23%	72,979 100%

① Figures represent hours of service.

② Figures represent days of service.

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Paid Client Days or Hours Based on Care Levels For Community Service 1988/89 Fiscal Year

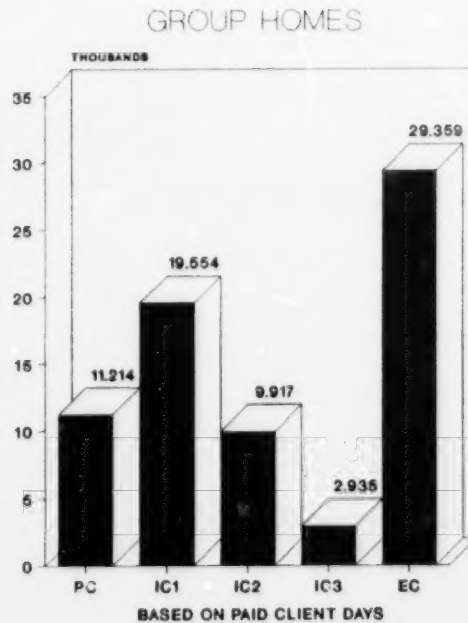
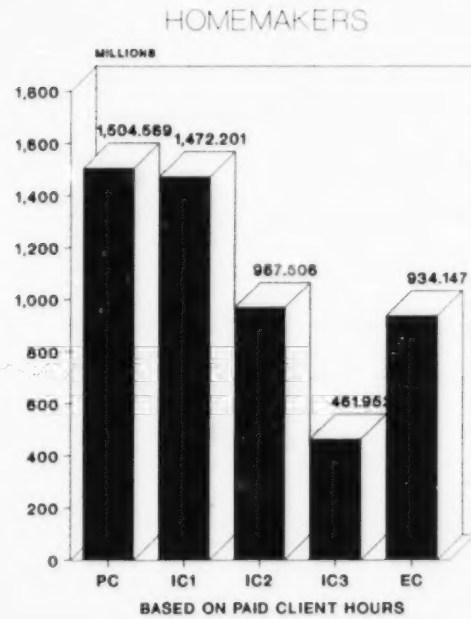
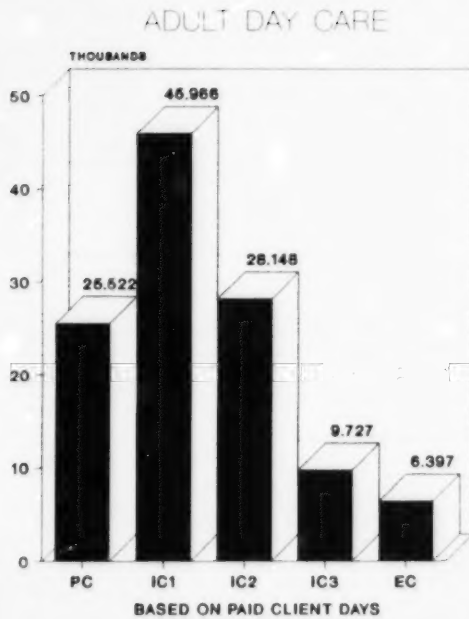


Table 5

**Sex Breakdown of Clients^①
Receiving Residential Care
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Types of Residential Services	Female	Male	Total
Personal and Intermediate Care Facilities	13,077 66.60%	6,557 33.40%	19,634 100%
Acute Hospitals	60 48.78%	63 51.22%	123 100%
Licensed Private Hospitals	1,983 71.56%	788 28.44%	2,771 100%
Family Care Homes	108 47.79%	118 52.21%	226 100%

① Each client is counted once for each type of residence from which care was received. Numbers are not additive as some clients may have received service from more than one residence.

Table 6

**Sex Breakdown of Clients^①
Receiving Community Services
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Types of Community Services	Female	Male	Total
<i>Long Term Care</i>			
Homemakers	34,418 70.11%	14,670 29.89%	49,088 100%
Adult Day Care	2,901 65.81%	1,507 34.19%	4,408 100%
Group Homes	91 39.57%	139 60.43%	230 100%
<i>Direct Care</i>			
Home Nursing Care	19,975 56.86%	15,158 43.14%	35,133 100%
Community Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy	5,090 63.39%	2,940 36.61%	8,030 100%

① Each client is counted once for each type of community service from which care was received. Numbers are not additive as some clients may have received more than one type of service.

Table 7

**A Comparison of the Sex Breakdown of Clients^①
Receiving Residential Care and Community Services
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Type of Service	Female	Male	Total
Residential Care	14,958 67.00%	7,367 33.00%	22,325 100%
Community Services	49,157 63.90%	27,767 36.10%	76,924 100%
Continuing Care Services	61,051 64.62%	33,421 35.38%	94,472 100%

① Each client is counted once within Residential Care and Community Services. Continuing Care Services refers to unique clients.

Table 8

**A Comparison of the Sex Breakdown of Clients^①
Receiving Residential Care and Community Services
(Including Extended Care)
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Type of Service	Female	Male	Total
Residential Care	20,569 66.75%	10,245 33.25%	30,814 100%
Community Services	49,160 63.90%	27,771 36.10%	76,931 100%
Continuing Care Services	66,315 64.82%	35,984 35.18%	102,299 100%

- ① Each client is counted once within Residential Care and Community Services. Continuing Care Services refers to unique clients.

Table 9

**Age Breakdown^① of Clients^②
Receiving Residential Care
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Types of Residential Services	Age Category						TOTAL
	0-19	20-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	
Personal And Intermediate Care Facilities	0 0.00%	349 1.78%	817 4.16%	2,825 14.39%	7,509 38.24%	8,134 41.43%	19,634 100%
Acute Hospitals	0 0.00%	4 3.25%	5 4.07%	17 13.82%	56 45.53%	41 33.33%	123 100%
Licensed Private Hospitals	0 0.00%	34 1.23%	110 3.97%	408 14.72%	1,033 37.28%	1,186 42.80%	2,771 100%
Family Care Homes	3 1.33%	35 15.49%	17 7.52%	43 19.03%	76 33.63%	52 23.01%	226 100%

① Age as of April 1, 1988.

② Each client is counted once for each type of residence from which care was received. Numbers are not additive as some clients may have received service from more than one residence.

Table 10

**Age Breakdown^① of Clients^②
Receiving Residential Care
(Including Extended Care)
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Type of Residence	Age Category						TOTAL
	0-19	20-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	
Personal And Intermediate Care Facilities	0 0.00%	349 1.78%	817 4.16%	2,825 14.39%	7,509 38.24%	8,134 41.43%	19,634 100%
Acute Hospitals	0 0.00%	4 3.25%	5 4.07%	17 13.82%	56 45.53%	41 33.33%	123 100%
Licensed Private Hospitals	0 0.00%	34 1.23%	110 3.97%	408 14.72%	1,033 37.28%	1,186 42.80%	2,771 100%
Family Care Homes	3 1.33%	35 15.49%	17 7.52%	43 19.03%	76 33.63%	52 23.01%	226 100%
Extended Care Public Hospitals	57 0.59%	540 5.59%	489 5.06%	1,315 13.61%	3,133 32.42%	4,129 42.73%	9,663 100%

① Age as of April 1, 1988.

② Each client is counted once for each type of residential care from which care was received. Numbers are not additive as some clients may have received service from more than one residence.

Table 11

**Age Breakdown^① of Clients^②
Receiving Community Services
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Types of Community Services	Age Category						TOTAL
	0-19	20-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	
<i>Long Term Care</i>							
Homemakers	27 0.06%	2,906 5.92%	4,040 8.23%	13,434 27.37%	20,258 41.27%	8,423 17.16%	49,088 100%
Adult Day Care	0 0.00%	192 4.36%	296 6.72%	1,013 22.98%	1,959 44.44%	948 21.51%	4,408 100%
Group Homes	8 3.48%	195 84.78%	19 8.26%	3 1.30%	3 1.30%	2 0.87%	230 100%
<i>Direct Care</i>							
Home Nursing Care	1,382 3.93%	7,758 22.08%	4,931 14.04%	8,918 25.38%	8,887 25.30%	3,257 9.27%	35,133 100%
Physiotherapy and Occupational Therapy	313 3.90%	843 10.50%	904 11.26%	2,084 25.95%	2,631 32.76%	1,255 15.63%	8,030 100%

① Age as of April 1, 1988.

② Each client is counted once for each type of community service from which care was received. Numbers are not additive as some clients may have received more than one type of service.

Table 12

**A Comparison of the Age Breakdown^① of Clients^②
Receiving Residential Care and Community Services
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Type of Service	Age Category						
	0-19	20-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	TOTAL
Residential	3	415	933	3,231	8,494	9,249	22,325
Long Term Care	0.01%	1.86%	4.18%	14.47%	38.05%	41.43%	100%
Community	1,678	10,489	8,431	20,289	25,811	10,226	76,924
Long Term Care	2.18%	13.64%	10.96%	26.38%	33.55%	13.29%	100%
Continuing Care	1,679	10,817	9,183	22,709	32,210	17,874	94,472
Services	1.78%	11.45%	9.72%	24.04%	34.09%	18.92%	100%

① Age as of April 1, 1988.

② Each client is counted once within Residential Care and Community Services.
Continuing Care Services refers to unique clients.

Table 13

**A Comparison of the Age Breakdown^① of Clients^②
Receiving Residential Care and Community Services
(Including Extended Care)
1988/89 Fiscal Year**

Type of Service	Age Category						
	0-19	20-54	55-64	65-74	75-84	85+	TOTAL
Residential Care	3 0.01%	415 1.86%	933 4.18%	3,231 14.47%	8,494 38.05%	9,249 41.43%	22,325 100%
Residential Care + EC	60 0.19%	942 3.06%	1,386 4.50%	4,399 14.28%	11,206 36.37%	12,821 41.61%	30,814 100%
Community Services	1,678 2.18%	10,489 13.64%	8,431 10.96%	20,289 26.38%	25,811 33.55%	10,226 13.29%	76,924 100%
Continuing Care Services	1,679 1.78%	10,817 11.45%	9,183 9.72%	22,709 24.04%	32,210 34.09%	17,874 18.92%	94,472 100%
Continuing Care Services + EC	1,736 1.70%	11,295 11.04%	9,603 9.39%	23,748 23.21%	34,663 33.88%	21,254 20.78%	102,299 100%

① Age as of April 1, 1988.

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